

AGENDA BILL APPROVAL FORM

Agenda Subject: City Membership in Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI)		Date: April 28, 2009
Department: Planning, Building & Community	Attachments: 1. Resolution No. 4477 2. ICLEI FAQ	Budget Impact: \$1,200

Administrative Recommendation:

City Council adopt Resolution No. 4477.

Background Summary:

Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI) is a membership association of local governments committed to advancing climate protection and sustainable development. ICLEI formed in 1990 and currently has approximately 1,000 worldwide member jurisdictions including 400 in the United States. ICLEI currently offers the following membership benefits:

- Clean Air Climate Protection (CACP) software and training (can be used to assist in conducting a carbon footprint analysis of city and community greenhouse gases)
- Tools, publications and other resources
- Performance-based campaigns and initiatives
- State, regional, national and international peer networking
- Technical, policy and communications expertise and assistance
- Annual training and leadership events
- Recognition and awards
- Representation at international meetings

Currently, 34 jurisdictions in the State of Washington are ICLEI members. Nearby local governments that belong to ICLEI include: Bainbridge Island, Bellevue, Bothell, Burien, Edmonds, Everett, Issaquah, King County, Kirkland, Lake Forest Park, Lynnwood, Mercer Island, Olympia, Pierce County, SeaTac, Seattle, Shoreline, Snohomish County, Tacoma, Tukwila and Tumwater.

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Action:

Committee Approval: ☐ Yes ☐ No
 Council Approval: ☐ Yes ☐ No Call for Public Hearing ____/____/____
 Referred to _____ Until ____/____/____
 Tabled _____ Until ____/____/____

Councilmember: Norman	Staff: Baker
Meeting Date: May 4, 2009	Item Number: VIII.B.2

ICLEI requires members to agree to: pay annual dues (\$1,200 for a city our size); report results and progress; participate in membership activities such as elections, events, surveys and calls for action; provide information, stories and illustrations upon request; support recruiting efforts and membership promotion when appropriate; and, promote the overarching vision of ICLEI to advance climate protection and sustainable development.

The Planning and Community Development Committee recently discussed with staff the need to complete a greenhouse gas inventory to support current and future federal, state and regional grant funding applications. The City's membership in ICLEI will provide it with access to technical tools and resources that will assist the City in completing the inventory.

RESOLUTION NO. 4477

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUBURN, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO THE CITY JOINING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR SUSTAINABILITY ("ICLEI")

WHEREAS, scientific consensus has developed that carbon dioxide (CO₂) and other greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere have a profound effect on the Earth's climate; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 Fourth Assessment Report from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) states that it is very likely that most of the observed increases in globally averaged temperatures since the mid-20th century are due to human-induced greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, in 2006 the U.S. National Climatic Data Center confirmed clear evidence of human influences on climate due to changes in greenhouse gases; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Conference of Mayors endorsed the 2005 U.S. Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement initiated by Seattle Mayor Nickels and signed by more than 900 mayors in the United States as of March 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Urban Environmental Accords adopted by local government delegates during UN World Environment Day 2005 call for reduced emissions through energy efficiency, land use and transportation planning, waste reduction, and wiser energy management; and

WHEREAS, in 2003 the American Geophysical Union adopted a Statement noting that human activities are increasingly altering the Earth's

climate and that natural influences cannot explain the rapid increase in near-surface temperatures observed during the second half of the 20th century; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, at the request of the Administration, the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) reviewed and declared global warming a real problem likely due to human activities; and

WHEREAS, the 2000 U.S. Global Change Research Program's (USGCRP) First National Assessment indicated that global warming has begun; and

WHEREAS, 162 countries including the United States pledged under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, energy consumption, specifically the burning of fossil fuels, accounts for more than 80% of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, local government actions taken to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase energy efficiency provide multiple local benefits by decreasing air pollution, creating jobs, reducing energy expenditures, and saving money for the local government, its businesses, and its residents; and

WHEREAS, Local Governments for Sustainability ("ICLEI") is a membership association of local governments committed to advancing climate protection and sustainable development;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUBURN, HEREBY RESOLVES as follows:

Section 1. That the City of Auburn shall join ICLEI as a Full Member and pledges to take a leadership role in promoting public awareness about the causes and impacts of climate change.

Section 2. That the City of Auburn shall undertake ICLEI's five milestones to reduce both greenhouse gas and air pollution emissions throughout the community, and specifically:

- Conduct a greenhouse gas emissions inventory and forecast to determine the source and quantity of greenhouse gas emissions in the jurisdiction;
- Establish a greenhouse gas emissions reduction target;
- Develop an action plan with both existing and future actions which when implemented will meet the local greenhouse gas reduction target;
- Implement the action plan; and
- Monitor and report progress.

Section 3. That the City of Auburn requests assistance from ICLEI as it progresses through these milestones.

Section 4. That the Mayor is authorized to implement such administrative procedures as may be necessary to carry out the directives of this legislation.

Section 5. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force upon passage and signatures hereon.

Dated and Signed this _____ day of _____, 2009.

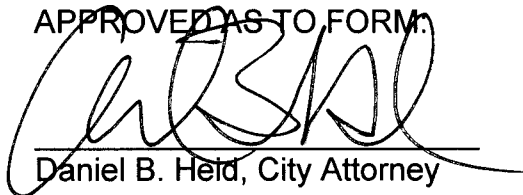
CITY OF AUBURN

PETER B. LEWIS
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Danielle E. Daskam, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Daniel B. Heid, City Attorney

General ICLEI Information FAQ

What is ICLEI?

ICLEI- Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI) is a membership association of local governments committed to advancing climate protection and sustainable development. Since its inception in 1990, ICLEI has grown to include more than 1,000 cities, towns and counties in the world, more than 550 of which are in the United States.

At ICLEI USA our mission is to build, serve, and drive a movement of local governments to advance deep reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and achieve tangible improvements in local sustainability.

What does ICLEI stand for?

Formerly the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives, the organization is now officially ICLEI-Local Governments for Sustainability.

How do you join ICLEI?

Step 1: Complete a membership application designating primary elected official, staff official, and media liaison to be the primary points of contact with ICLEI on a variety of issues, resources and opportunities.

Step 2: Pay first installment of annual dues upon receipt of an invoice from ICLEI, along with your application or online.

Step 3: Adopt a resolution to participate in ICLEI within the first six months of membership in order to affirm your community's commitment to climate protection work. Each member is encouraged to modify the resolution to match local circumstances and priorities.

Step 4: Get started with your climate protection work by involving stakeholders, publicizing your membership, and starting work on Milestone 1 – the inventory of energy use and emissions.

Membership Dues

Structure of Dues for ICLEI USA

Full Membership: Local Governments

Population	Dues
50,000 - 100,000	\$1,200